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#### I. Introduction

Southern California Gas Company ("SoCalGas") files this monthly report to comply with Decision ("D.") 05-10-044, "Interim Opinion Approving Various Emergency Program Changes in Light of Anticipated High Natural Gas Prices in the Winter of 2005-2006," issued herein on October 27, 2005. Specifically, Ordering Paragraph ("OP") 19 of D.05-10-044 provides:

Each utility shall file monthly reports, this winter, due no later than the seventh of each month, December through May, presenting the percentage of residential accounts being paid in full when due, paid between 50-99%, and paid at less than the 50% trigger for shut-off protection, separately tracked by CARE, medical baseline and non-CARE customers (and FERA where applicable), and including shut-off figures for each of these customer groups.

#### I. Description of Report

#### A. 19-Day Report

Consistent with OP 19, SoCalGas here provides a report that reflects bill payment status for residential accounts as of the due date, which is 19 calendar days from the mail date of the bill. See Attachment 1, hereto.

В. 30-Day Report

Because a significant number of SoCalGas' customers who do not have difficulty

paying their energy bills do so between the due date and the time the next month's bill is

issued, SoCalGas believes that a report reflecting bill payment status just prior to the next

month's bill (approximately 30 days following the mail date of the bill) will provide the

Commission with a more accurate evaluation of the percentages of customers having

difficulty paying their bills as the winter progresses. Accordingly, in addition to the

19-day report, discussed above, SoCalGas also is providing the Commission with a

30-day report. See Attachment 1.

The shut-off figures will not be available until May 8, 2006. SoCalGas will file

an amended report reflecting the shut-off figures on May 8, 2006.

III. Conclusion

Accordingly, SoCalGas here files the reports reflected on Attachment 1 to comply

with OP 19.

Respectfully submitted,

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#### **Attachment 1**

### Southern California Gas Company April 2006 Report Pursuant to D.05-10-044 Ordering Paragraph 19

Bills Coming Due in April 2006 (1)						
Residential Customers	100%	50% - 99%	< 50%	Shut-offs		
CARE	63.6%	4.1%	32.3%			
Non-CARE	70.3%	3.4%	26.3%			
Total – All Residential Customers	68.7%	3.6%	27.7%			
Medical Baseline (2)	74.3%	3.9%	21.8%			

March Bills As of the April 2006 Bill Date (3)						
Residential Customers	100%	50% - 99%	< 50%	Shut-offs		
CARE	76.1%	3.7%	20.2%			
Non-CARE	82.7%	2.8%	14.5%			
Total – All Residential Customers	81.2%	3.0%	15.8%			
Medical Baseline (2)	84.6%	3.6%	11.8%			

### **Notes**

- (1) Report reflects the status of accounts 19 days following the mail date of the bill.
- (2) Results for Medical Baseline accounts are also included in the appropriate category above.
- (3) Report reflects the status of accounts just prior to the calculation of the April bill (approximately 30 days following the mail date of the March bill).

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served a copy of the foregoing MONTHLY

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PARAGRAPH 19 OF DECISION 05-10-044 on all parties of record in R.04-01-006 by electronic mail and by U.S. Mail to those parties who have not provided an electronic address to the Commission. I have also sent hard copies by overnight mail to the assigned ALJ(s) and Commissioner(s).

Dated at San Diego, California, this 5th day of May, 2006.

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